It is the duty of each and every member to do her utmost to familiarize Lithuanian Catholic women with our goals and activities and invite them to join our ranks. Our field of action is quite immense..."

In accordance with the motion accepted at the last convention to further Catholic Action, the chapters responded most graciously so that donations were made to the St. Casimir seminary in Rome and the Lithuanian Salesian Fathers, enabling the Alliance to become Honorary Members of both institutions.

In tribute to Mrs. Mary Vaiciunas, who had resigned as Supreme Secretary after 30 years in that office, the Chicago District arranged an elaborate banquet in her honor.

The Scholorship Fund was set up and received an immediate response with contributions from the chapters. Heading the Scholarship Committee was Mrs. Dale Murray as chairman, and Mrs. Julia Mack, Mrs. Sophie Dirzius and Mrs. Virginia Shimkus as members.

The year ended on a very happy note — another new chapter was organized in Chicago — Chapter 75, through the efforts of Mrs. Ursula Rastenis.

TWENTY-EIGHTH CONVENTION

Holy Trinity parish in Hartford, Conn. was the 28th convention site. Hosted by the members of Chapter 17, it took place August 17-20, 1959.

This assembly was especially productive, distinguishing itself with animated sessions, resulting in productive and important motions. Especially noteworthy were the resolutions formulated, chiefly among them, was the determination to keep the contacts made earlier with the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations.

A.L.R.C. WOMEN'S ALLIANCE TWENTY-EIGHTH CONVENTION
Cicero, Illinois



On the eve of the convention, a special program and testimonial was held to honor Msgr. J. Ambotas, pastor of Holy Trinity parish, and long-time friend and benefactor of the Alliance.

A solemn high mass offered by Msgr. Ladas Tulaba of Rome, marked the official opening of the convention. Spiritual Director, Msgr. F. Juras, delivered the sermon.

Comprising the presidium were: Chairman — Mrs. Augusta Satkus (Ill.); Assistant Chairman — Mrs. Natalie Satunas (Ill.); Secretaries — Mrs. Victoria Leone and Mrs. Albina Poska, both of Illinois.

This convention publicly denounced the visit of Premier Kruschev to the United States and to this effect, a telegram was sent to the President of the United States Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Elected to the Supreme Board for the next two year term were: Pres. Mrs. Marie Kase (Mich.); I Vice-Pres. Mrs. Natalie Satunas (Ill.); II Vice-Pres. Mrs. Marcella Watkins (Mass.); Secretary — Mrs. Victoria Leone (Ill.); Treasurer — Mrs. Donna Kamm (Ill.); Trustees — Mrs. Mary Druktanis (Ill.) and Mrs. Mary Genis (Ill.). Mrs. Dale Murray was re-appointed Editor of "Moterų Dirva"; Msgr. F. M. Juras remained as Supreme Spiritual Director.

State Directors: Conn. — Mrs. Charlotte Serwo; Ill. — Mrs. Ann Slazas; Mass., Maine and N.H. — Miss Agnes Drevens; Mich. — Mrs. Stephanie Kryger; N.Y. and N.J. — Mrs. Adele Krutulis; Ohio — Mrs. Bernice Williams; Pa. — Mrs. Julia Tamanauskas.

Grievance Committee: Mrs. A. Poska, Mrs. Leona Carberry and Mrs. Elizabeth Paurazas.

Motions Committee: Mrs. Ursula Rastenis, Mrs. Augusta Satkus and Mrs. Mary Paukstis.

Dr. S. Biezis remained as Medical Examiner.

A Triumphant Gain

Through the indefatigable efforts of Supreme Secretary, Mrs. Victoria Leone, a long sought goal was reached — a license to do business in the State of Pennsylvania was granted on August 30, 1959.

The organization's literary contest, which had as its theme: "How Can the A.L.R.C. Women's Alliance Adapt Itself More Fully to the Needs of Its Members and the Community?", was drawing to a close. The committee of judges included: Chairman — Mrs. Antonia M. Wackell, Mrs. Dale Murray, Miss Vera Galnaitis, Mrs. Augusta Satkus, Mrs. Albina Poska, and Miss Jessie Carp — members.

1960 — The Scholarship Fund — A Significant Project

Commencing the year 1960, Scholarship Fund Chairman, Mrs. Dale Murray urged all the members to support the "newest and most important cultural work of the Alliance." Writing in the "Moterų Dirva," she stated: "Our youth wholeheartedly desires to reach the highest peak of education. The honor rolls of every school of higher education include many Lithuanian names. Let us aid these young people in obtaining the education they so intensely desire and together we will rejoice in the results."